

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01088-RC**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Rudolph Contreras  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 05/09/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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**Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/09/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5470996) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons Department of Justice)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 05/09/2018)
05/09/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 05/09/2018)
05/09/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (zmd) (Entered: 05/09/2018)
05/14/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 05/14/2018)

05/22/2018	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 5/18/2018. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 6/17/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 05/18/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 5/18/2018 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 05/22/2018)
06/27/2018	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Laura Ann Hunt on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 06/27/2018)
06/27/2018	<u>6</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Respond to the Complaint</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 06/27/2018)
06/27/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>6</u> Defendant's Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time: It is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall have up to and including July 6, 2018, to respond to Plaintiff's complaint. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on June 27, 2018. (lcrc2) (Entered: 06/27/2018)
06/28/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Answer due by 7/6/2018, (tj) (Entered: 06/28/2018)
07/06/2018	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 07/06/2018)
07/10/2018		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and jointly submit a proposed briefing schedule by July 24, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on July 10, 2018. (lcrc2) (Entered: 07/10/2018)
07/10/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 7/24/2018. (tj) (Entered: 07/10/2018)
07/24/2018	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by James F. Peterson on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 07/24/2018)
07/24/2018	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 07/24/2018)
07/24/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>9</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report by October 12, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on July 24, 2018. (lcrc2) (Entered: 07/24/2018)
07/24/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/12/2018. (gdf) (Entered: 07/25/2018)
10/12/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/12/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>10</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before April 19, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 10/12/2018. (lcrc2) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/15/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 4/19/2019 (tj) (Entered: 10/15/2018)
04/19/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 04/19/2019)
04/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>11</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report by June 5, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on April 22, 2019. (lcrc2) (Entered: 04/22/2019)
04/23/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 6/5/2019 (tj) (Entered: 04/23/2019)
06/05/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 06/05/2019)

06/06/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>12</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report by July 12, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on June 6, 2019. (lcrc2) (Entered: 06/06/2019)
06/07/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 7/12/2019 (tj) (Entered: 06/07/2019)
07/12/2019	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Hunt, Laura) (Entered: 07/12/2019)
07/15/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>13</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report by August 30, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on July 15, 2019. (lcrc2) (Entered: 07/15/2019)